

REMARKS

The Examiner is thanked for the performance of a thorough search. By this amendment, Claims 41, 74 and 77 have been rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claims 7, 23, 38-40, 70-72 and 81-82 are cancelled.

ALLOWED CLAIMS

In the Office Action, Claims 1-4, 6, 8, 10, 17-19, 22, 24, 53-56, 58, and 61 are allowed.

CLAIMS OBJECTED TO

In the Office Action, Claims 41, 74 and 77 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claims 41, 74 and 77 have been rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

SUMMARY OF THE REJECTIONS

In the Office Action Claims 38-40, 70-72, and 81 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Miguel.

Claims 70-71 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Simpson in view of Korpi et al. or Williams.

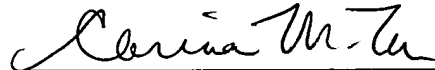
CONCLUSION

For the reasons set forth above, it is respectfully submitted that all of the pending claims are now in condition for allowance. Therefore, the issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance is believed next in order, and that action is most earnestly solicited.

If in the opinion of the Examiner a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is encouraged to call the undersigned at (650) 838-4311.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees due to Applicants' Deposit Account No. 50-2207.

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